The latest Washington letter to the New York Evening Post says: "It is understood that a bill will soon be introduced into Congress to set apart small plantations in South Carolina for the use of the contrabands; the negroes to receive for a nominal price, payable in a term of years, plats of from one to five or ten acres, upon which they may live under the protection of the Government."

It is stated that John S. Rarey, the horse tamer, has been sent to the Army of the Potomac by Gen. Halleck to inquire into the sanitary condition of its horses and to suggest some system to check the mortality among them.

The sum of \$500 has been subscribed in Richmond in aid of the citizens of Fredericksburg, who have been compelled to fly from their homes.

As corn is selling at \$3 25 per bushel in Richmond, twenty-seven citizens have subscribed \$16,000 to purchase a supply in the Eastern section of the State. It is to be sold to the citizens at cost.

The Penobscot river, for about two miles below Bangor, Me., was closed by ice on Wednesday night last. Twenty-one schooners are frozen in at Bangor, twelve of which were loaded and ready to sail. The amount of potatoes on board exceeds 20,000 bushels.

The proposition for an inquiry concerning certain arrests is not to be easily staved off in the Senate. Mr. Trumbull declared in the debate that the practice would be dangerous to the government. There is no doubt, however, that the House bill to indemnify the President and others for suspending the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus, will pass the Senate.

It is stated that at the late Hartsville affair, nineteen hundred Federal troops were captured. The report that Col. Morgan was subsequently defeated by Gen. Fry, at Gallatin, is contradicted.

What is thought to be accurate information, puts the entire Confederate force in the Shenandoah Valley at about twenty-three hundred, under command of Gen. Jones. They consist of Virginia Cavalry and Wheat's Louisiana Tigers.

The Burlington (Vermont) Times is informed that there are now collected at Rouse's Point about 14,800 muskets, 250 swords, 500 large revolvers, 5,000,000 of caps, and eleven tons of powder, which were shipped from New York. A portion of these arms was once stopped by Provost Marshal Draper while in transitu, but very singularly were permitted to go forward. They are now held at the Point by Marshal Dunn, by the order of the Secretary of War.

The Nashville Dispatch of last Saturday says the river is rising slowly and steadily.-There is now about eight inches of water over the shoals-or ten, perhaps eleven.

The steam frigate Vanderbilt left New York yesterday, to resume the search for the Alabama.

The Old "Virginia and North Carolina Hotel" at Norfolk. was burned on the 8th.

The President on Monday sent a message to General Sibley, ordering the execution of thirty-nine of the Minnesota Indians on the 19th instant. These form only one class of the eriminals, and includes the Indians concerned in the massacre of families and other brutal outrages.

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